

How Firewood is Utilized in European Forests



(Courtesy of "Forest Leaves.")

PEASANT CARRYING FAGGOTS HOME FOR FUEL.

A mixed beech and oak forest typical of Belgium, France and central-west Germany. Competition is keen for the privilege of collecting the branchwood, and as a result the forests are clean and the forest hazard reduced to a minimum.



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A SUPPLY OF WOOD FOR SUNDAY.

Peasant women of western Germany returning from the communal forest with pine branchwood which they were allowed to gather on Wednesday and Saturday afternoons.